Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): The recurring expenditure itself will come to about Rs. 300—400. Then there will be expenditure on building i. e., some capital expenditure.

Mr. T. V. Subramania Ayyar (*Nemmara*): What will be the possible capital expenditure?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): If you want a building, that is capital expenditure, or else you may have to rent one. Anyway we are gradually extending this practice year after year. And only 21 remain out of 84.

Mr. P uthur Achyuta Menon (*Kattur*): Will the Government be pleased to invest this power to the Porathassery Panchayat as early as possible?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): The matter will be considered.

ANTHIKAD-MUTTICHUR ROAD—CONSTRUCTION OF.

424. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether any scheme for opening a road to Muttichur from Anthikad is pending decision at the hands of the Government;

(*b*) when was this scheme first considered;

(*c*) whether the inhabitants of the locality were made to deposit any amount towards the cost of this road; if so, when was this deposited;

(*d*) whether the amount so deposited is with the Government at present?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) In 1104.

(*c*) Yes. A sum of Rs. 75 was deposited on 3rd Dhanu 1105.

(*d*) No. The full amount was returned to the parties.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): May I know under what conditions was this amount deposited by the inhabitants of that locality?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): This is for acquisition charges. The estimate was for 100 and odd rupees. Later on it was found out that the acquisition charges will itself come to about a thousand and odd rupees. For want of funds, the work has to be postponed and the money was returned.

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Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): Whether any enquiry was made to know whether people were prepared to deposit the whole amount or surrender the property through which the road has to be taken?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): Notice.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal (*Vadakkancheri*): Are the Government satisfied whether there is any necessity for opening this road?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): Everywhere there is this necessity. I have not got any application for roads where there is no necessity. The difficulty is the paucity of funds. Even for the amounts that are deposited with the Panchayats, there is a limit. All these requests are legitimate and reasonable. The only thing is that there is no funds available. If there is any chance of placing 8 lakhs of rupees at the hands of the Department for such constructions, then all the works will be taken up.

TANKS—KALLETTUMKARA AND ALOOR VILLAGES—NECESSITY OF.

425. Mr. A. V. Moothedan (*Chalakkudi*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware of the urgent necessity of constructing some tanks in Kallettumkara and Aloor villages, for bathing purposes?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): Necessity for a tank in Kallettumkara has been ascertained and that for Alur village is being enquired into.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan (*Chalakkudi*): Will it cost very much for constructing a tank in Kallettumkara?

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Minister for Rural Development*): The estimated cost is Rs. 2,500.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan (*Chalakkudi*): I have already constructed a tank there for Rs. 500. (*Laughter*).

BRIDGE—KUTTIKAD—NECESSITY OF.

426. Mr. A. V. Moothedan (*Chalakkudi*): Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether they are aware of the urgent necessity of constructing a bridge at Kuttikad for completing the Pariyaram-Kuttikad road;

(*b*) how long this road has been under construction now?

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